

May 11th, 2001

Via Hand-Delivery

Chairman Michael K. Powell
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Western Wireless Corporation Petition for Designation as an Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier for the Pine Ridge Reservation in the State of
South Dakota, DA 01-278; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal
Service, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Chairman Powell:

I urge you to expeditiously grant Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) status to
Western Wireless Corporation for the provision of universal telephone service on the
Pine Ridge reservation.

*It will be cheaper, and better
for the people.*

Sincerely,

Lonna Hornbeck

Cc: Commissioner Susan Ness
Commissioner Harold-Furchtgott-Roth
Commissioner Gloria Tristani
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Because this area is so remote it is very important to have communication open in case of emergencies. There are car accidents, fires, etc. on the reservation that need immediate attention and there are a lot of people without phones so this would help people in that way.

Sincerely,

Karla Provost

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The need for the system is or will be very
useful. As it is now a lot of families do not
have communications or can't get it because of
the area. ~~At times~~ some of the ^{communication} is slow because
land lines are hard to get to because of road conditions.
This service will greatly speed up the process of communica-
tions.

Sincerely,


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*I am so happy I mean
really happy and good
work.*

Sincerely,

Rochelle Dreamer

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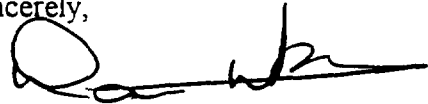
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*This System will be a great deal for many
residence besides myself who have been turned down by
Golden West. Many residences have a great need for Telecommunication
for emergency needs, and many other phone needs. Your approval will be
Grantly appreciated*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "D. [unclear]", written over the word "Sincerely,".

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*I am a satisfied customer
and I love my cell phone.*

Sincerely,

Emily Two Elk

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Our Indian & Tribal enterprises have always been monopolized by corporations so there is never any room for other businesses. Western Wireless, I believe, will open the door for competition by others, to better serve our Tribal members.

Anti-doffy - member 057
Sincerely,

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Pine Ridge reservation.

There are those of us that need a reliable,
affordable service for lower income people.
The existing service has been very good
but does not extend as far as it would
with the new towers

Sincerely,

Quita Marshall
Manderson, S.D.

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Pine Ridge reservation.

*I think that that the residential wireless
phones are good for people on the Pine Ridge reservation
because they are cheaper and more affordable for people
on the reservation who cannot afford regular phones.*

Sincerely,



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*I think wireless/cellular phones are good for the
reservation, because of the affordable payments.
And, also because some people on the reservation
can not afford the expensive connection fees,
and expensive digging if that person lives along
way off the road.*

Sincerely,

Kristy Jarvis

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Pine Ridge reservation.

*I am a proud user of Western Wireless
phone service and without them, - I wouldn't
have access to phone service @ the affordable
price I pay now.*

Sincerely,



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Pine Ridge reservation.

*Western Wireless has provided the people of the
reservation with reasonably affordable phone
service, which we wouldn't have otherwise.
Without their service - a lot of our people
will be without phones - that just isn't fair.*

Sincerely,

Carla J. Hmar

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Pine Ridge reservation.

I think the Western Wireless
Corporation is great, for the
people on the reservation. It
costs a whole lot less, so that
the people on the reservation
can afford it. It is way cheaper
the Golden West
Telecommunication!

Sincerely,

Kerry
Brane
Heart

(5-10-01)

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I THINK THIS PROJECT IS BEST FOR THE
PEOPLE HERE ON THE RESERVATION BECAUSE
IT IS CHEAPER THAN GOLDEN WEST, IT WILL DO
US ALL GOOD IN THE FUTURE.

Sincerely, 5/10/01

Michael Womron

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*I believe service will help
in emergency cases, and will benefit
small business*

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*causa its cheaper and
the tribe is going to own it*

Sincerely,

Verlyn Harrison

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*We live in a remote area, where Emergency
Medical Services is "third-world" country.
We are trying to upgrade our services to serve
the new millennium. Lives will be lost without
this station*

Sincerely,

John R. Whitely "NREMT-A"

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*To get better telephone services on the
reservation.*

Sincerely,

Allen Parvin

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*We need the services to help us communicate
on our own cel phone when we need help.*

Sincerely,

Theresa Ferguson

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*We need their services around here.
It will help our community out alot.*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jane Blue Bear". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jane" being the most prominent.

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*We need these services. cell phones don't
work here. It will help out alot.*

Sincerely, *Sanetra Janis*

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Donita Little Whiteman
P.O Box 45
Kyle SD.

Cell phones don't work here we really need them
since it is so rural here

Sincerely,
Donita Little Whiteman

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*It is good because when you get
stranded somewhere in badlands when
hunting season it is a must for the
ref.*

Sincerely, ,

Bill Clifford

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service I am receiving now. Better
service in general*

Sincerely,

Warren Furman

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*I really believe that these towers
are needed. Because, my family lives in a
rural area between Kyle & Allen. As for
Golden West it will take them up to
two weeks to dig from our home to the
road. These phones will be very needed.*

Sincerely,

Clorin Arnaud Heri

Internet Service?

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